

## BOOK NOTICE

*A Study of African Chironomidae*, Parts I and II, by Paul Freeman. Bulletin of the British Museum (Natural History) : Entomology, Vol. 4, Nos. 1 and 7. 1955-56.

Part I deals with the subfamilies *Podominae*, *Tanypodinae*, *Diamesinae* and *Clunioninae*. Following the introduction, historical survey, etc., are keys to the genera, subgenera and species, except that no species of *Podominae* are known from south of the Sahara Desert, the region covered in the treatise. All species in the collections available to the author are redescribed or described for the first time.

Part II treats the subfamilies *Orthocladinae* and *Corynoneurinae*, thus leaving the large subfamily *Chironominae* for future study. The two parts comprise 148 pages, 32 textfigures, most of which contain figures, and one excellent plate. This is an extremely fine piece of work and should greatly stimulate the study of the Chironomids of Africa.—C. H. Curran